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REMARKS

Claims 1-61 are pending in the present application. Reexamination and reconsideration are requested in light of the accompanying remarks.

The rejection of claims 1-61 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Wagner (U.S. 2003/0186804 A1) is respectfully traversed. Wagner is not available as a reference against the application. Applicants reduced the claimed invention to practice prior to March 28, 2002 as shown by the accompanying Declaration of Anca Faur-Ghenciu, Nathan E. Trusty, Mark R. Feaviour, Jessica G. Reinkingh, Phillip Shady, and Paul J. Andersen Under 37 C.F.R. 1.131. Prior to March 28, 2002, water gas shift catalyst systems according to the claims were made. Because Wagner is not available as a reference, applicants respectfully request that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Wagner be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that, in view of the above amendment and remarks, the application is now in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests that claims 1-61 be passed to allowance.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding the present application, he is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

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